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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 12, 2008, the following remarks are respectfully submitted for entry and consideration. The Action set a 3 month shortened statutory period for response, making this paper originally due December 12, 2008. This reply is filed along with a petition for a two month extension of time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fee or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1935.